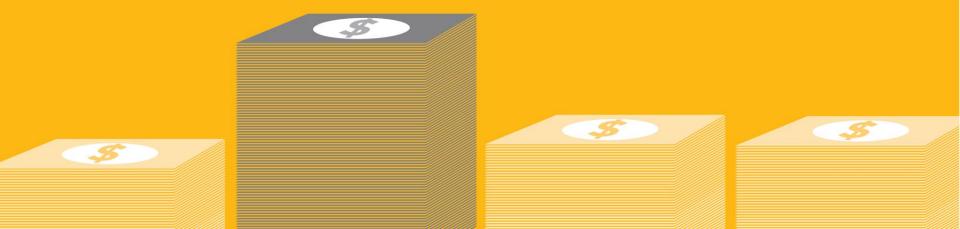


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# Social Security

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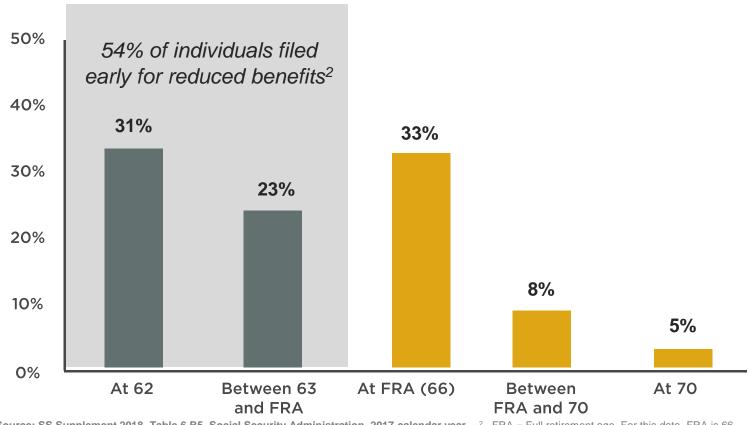
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# Social Security

— The choice of a lifetime —

# Most file at the earliest possible time

New Social Security claimants in a calendar year<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup> Source: SS Supplement 2018. Table 6.B5, Social Security Administration, 2017 calendar year. 2 FRA = Full retirement age. For this data, FRA is 66.

# Average life expectancy and beyond



Source: 2018 LIMRA Retirement Income Reference Book..

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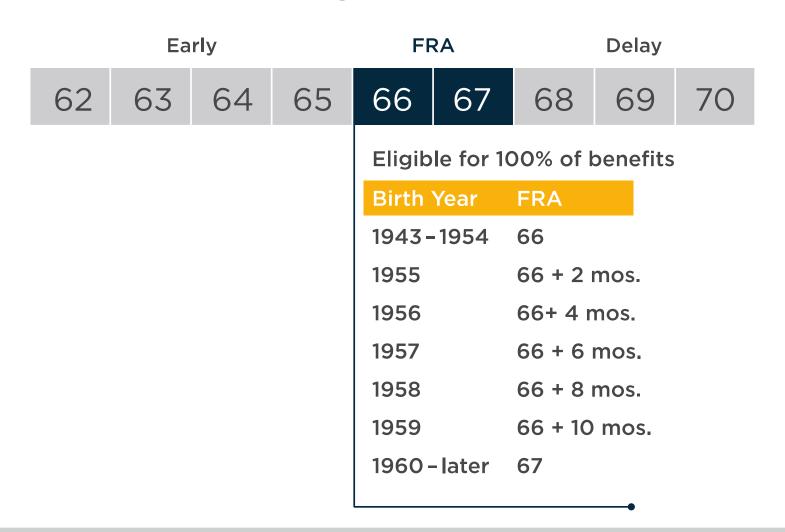
— The basics —

# What does Social Security offer?

#### Old Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance (OASDI)



# Full Retirement Age



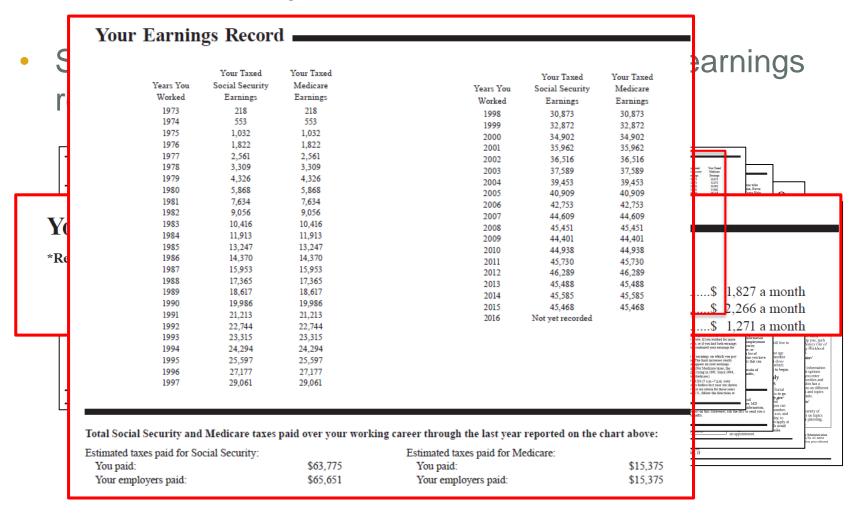
# Primary Insurance Amount (PIA)

- Amount received each month if benefits start at full retirement age (FRA)
- Based on lifetime Social Security earnings adjusted for inflation
  - Average indexed monthly earnings (AIME) over highest 35 years of earnings
  - Benefit reflects a percentage of average monthly earnings
  - High-wage earners receive a smaller percentage than low-wage earners
  - Maximum PIA for 2020 is \$3,011
- Social Security statements available on mySocialSecurity (Sign up at ssa.gov/myaccount.)

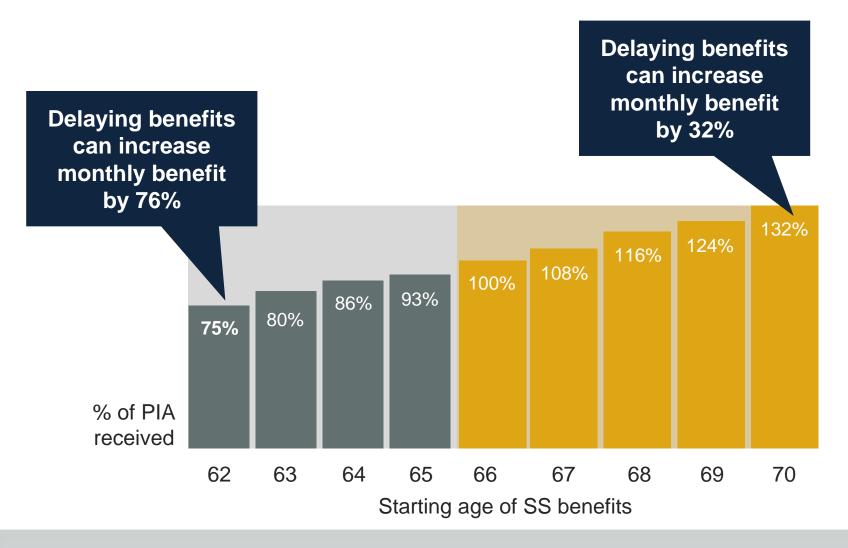
# Social Security statement

- Available at ssa.gov/myaccount
  - Create an online profile
  - Paper statements mailed every five years to those between 25 60, and annually to those 60+ if you have not signed up online

# Social Security statement



# Early and delayed filing affects monthly benefit



# Filing rules for different situations











# Spousal filing rules



# **Eligibility**



## **Benefits**

- Eligible at 62
- Married for at least one year
- One spouse must file for the other to claim benefits

 Up to 50% of spouse's PIA

# For surviving spouses



## **Eligibility**



### **Benefits**

- Married for at least9 months
- Benefits can be taken as early as age 60\*
- Currently widowed or remarried after age 60

- Up to spouse's
   PIA including delayed
   retirement credits earned
- Survivor benefits can be received independent of individual benefits

<sup>\*</sup> Filing from 60 and up to FRA will permanently reduce monthly survivor benefits, but not impact the survivor's own benefits

# For divorced spouses



# **Eligibility**



## **Benefits**

- Married for at least 10 years
- Currently unmarried
- Ex-spouse does not have to file beyond two years after divorce

- Spousal, then survivor benefits
- No impact on ex-spouse's benefit
- Not subject to the family maximum

# How working impacts Social Security

# If under FRA for the full year

\$1 withheld for every \$2 above annual limit

(\$18,240 or \$1,520/month)

In the year of FRA
(Up to FRA month)

\$1 withheld for every \$3 above annual limit

(\$48,600 or \$4,050/month)

At FRA and beyond

- No limit on earnings
- Withheld earnings are returned

Source: Social Security Administration, 2019

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# Social Security Assessment



# Make an informed Social Security decision

Your personalized Social Security report, powered by Social Security Timing\* — Compare your options and choose for your future

Jim & Linda Smith

Trusted Advisor

Tuesday, January 28, 2020

Report Number 625348

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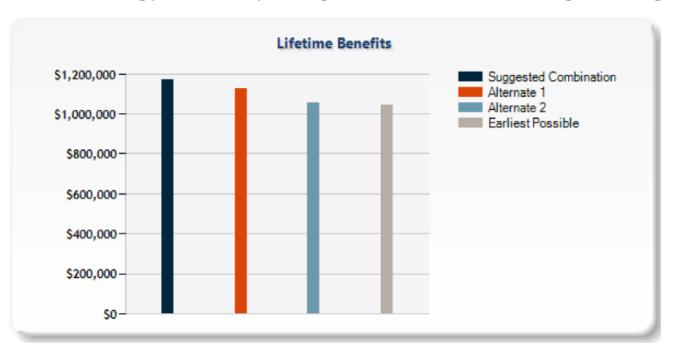
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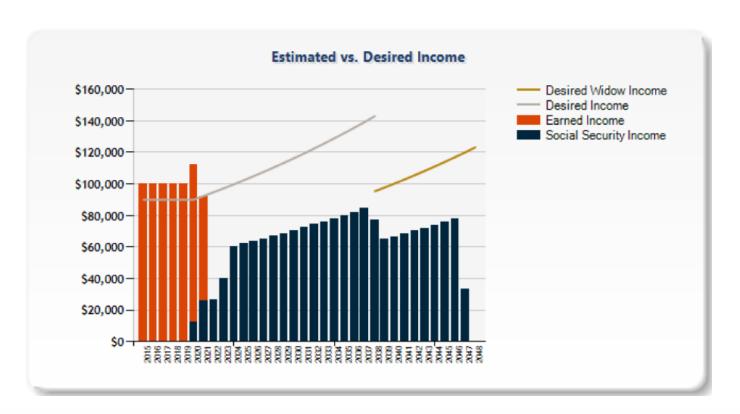
# Compare filing strategies

The client's Social Security report shows cumulative benefits of an optimization strategy vs. early filing and alternative filing strategies



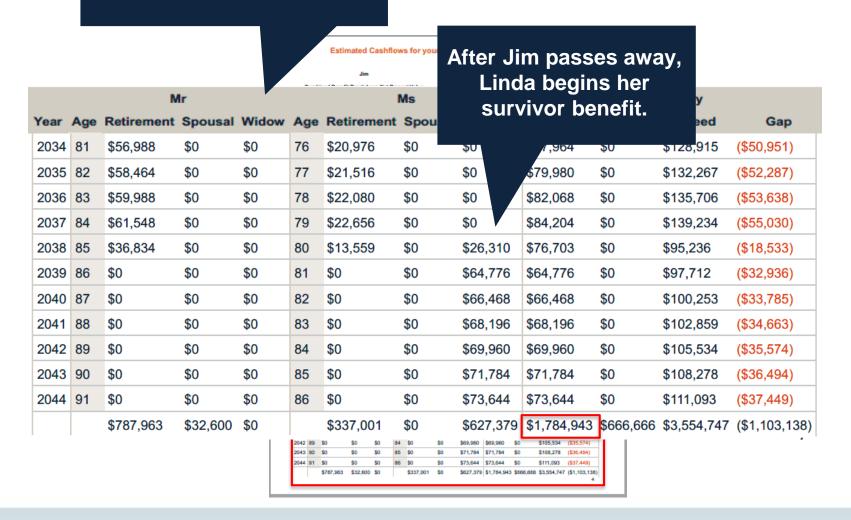
# Identify income gaps

The report illustrates annual Social Security cash flow for the suggested filing strategy vs. projected retirement income needs.



# Cash flow analysis helps identify income gaps

Jim and Linda both maximize their benefits.



# Social Security fact finder

# Helps gather relevant client information to prepare a filing strategy comparison

- Marital status
- Expected benefit amount
- Life expectancy
- Planned retirement date
- Desired retirement income
- Retirement goals, concerns, etc.



# Social Security fact finder

First name:	Last name:
Gender: Male Female	Date of birth (mm/dd/yy):/
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# Three steps in Social Security planning

- Get a good understanding of the basics of Social Security
- Make an appointment to discuss your Social Security options
- Complete a Social Security fact finder in advance of the meeting